U.S. Department of Justice Executive Office for Immigration Review

Decision of the Board of Immigration Appeals

Falls Church, Virginia 20530

File: D2014-331

Date:

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In re: CHRISTOPHER R. MACARAEG, ATTORNEY

IN PRACTITIONER DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

PETITION FOR IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION

ON BEHALF OF EOIR:

Jennifer J. Barnes, Disciplinary Counsel

ON BEHALF OF DHS:

Megan B. Herndon

Section Chief, Immigration Court Practice Section - West

On November 24, 2014, the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit accepted the respondent's resignation from the Ninth Circuit bar, with disciplinary proceedings pending. Consequently, on December 15, 2014, the Disciplinary Counsel for the Executive Office of Immigration Review (EOIR) initiated disciplinary proceedings against the respondent and petitioned for the respondent's immediate suspension from practice before the Board of Immigration Appeals and the Immigration Courts. The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) then asked that the respondent be similarly suspended from practice before the DHS. The petition will be granted.

ORDER: The petition is granted, and the respondent is hereby suspended from the practice of law before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS pending final disposition of this proceeding. 8 C.F.R. § 1003.103(a)(2013); 8 C.F.R. § 292.3(c).

FURTHER ORDER: The respondent is directed to promptly notify, in writing, any clients with cases currently pending before the Board, the Immigration Courts, or the DHS that the respondent has been suspended from practicing before these bodies.

FURTHER ORDER: The respondent shall maintain records to evidence compliance with this order.

FURTHER ORDER: The Board directs that the contents of this notice be made available to the public, including at Immigration Courts and appropriate offices of the DHS.

